

Frequently Asked Questions - Automated Speed Enforcement

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| What is ASE? | ASE, also referred to as Automated Speed Enforcement is an automated system that uses a camera and a speed measurement device to enforce speed limits. |
| Where will ASE be implemented? | In school zones and community safety zones. |
| What is a Community Safety Zone? | A road segment of higher risk or concern which may include schools, day care centers, playgrounds, parks, hospitals, senior citizen residence etc. |
| How will drivers know that a location is equipped with ASE? | Clear signage will be posted within each school zone and community safety zone. |
| Is there a threshold for speeding? | The only way to ensure a ticket will not be issued is to drive at or below the speed limit posted |
| How accurate is an ASE system when detecting speed? | ASE is just as accurate at detecting speed as traditional speed measurement devices used by police. |
| Does the ASE system capture and store video footage as well as images? | No. Only a still image of the license plate is captured. |
| What is the maximum number of tickets someone can receive? | There is no maximum number of tickets a vehicle can receive. A ticket will be issued to the registered plate owner each time their vehicle exceeds the speed limit. |
| How are ASE tickets processed? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The ASE system captures an image of the vehicle exceeding the speed limit. 2. The image is stored and sent to a processing centre and reviewed by a provincial offences officer. 3. The image and the plate portion will be mailed to the registered vehicle owner. |
| Are there any demerit points? | The only penalty is a fine – no demerit points are applied. |
| What are the fines associated with an ASE ticket? | The total payable indicated on the ticket includes the set fine, court costs and the victim fine surcharge. |
| What is a Victim Fine Surcharge | It is a mandatory fine added onto a ticket. The money goes to fund programs and services for victims of crime. Please contact your Local MP (Members of Parliament) for more information. |
| Will a ticket affect my insurance? | If you are concerned that the ticket could potentially affect your insurance, please contact your insurance company. |
| Is the ticket issued to the driver of the vehicle? | A ticket is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle, which is served by mail to the plate holder at the last |

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| | known address on file with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation. |
| How long does it take a ticket to arrive? | Tickets are expected to arrive within 30 days or less of when the violation occurs. |
| If I receive a ticket, what are my options? | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pay the fine according to the instructions outlined on the ticket. 2. Request to attend court to plead guilty and request a longer time to pay. 3. Request to attend court to plead not guilty and have a trial. |
| Why does the registered plate holder receive the ticket instead of the person who was driving when the ticket was issued? | The ASE system does not allow for the capture of images of individuals who are driving. Therefore, the registered plate holder will receive the ticket. |
| What are the penalties for an ASE? | The offence notice will include the set fine, court costs and the victim fine surcharge. Because these offences are committed in a community safety zone, the set fine will be doubled in price. |
| Are there insurance consequences? | The insurance consequences, if any, are between you, as the vehicle owner, and your insurance company. |